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BEFORE THE
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF WISCONSIN

Application of Northwestern Wisconsin Electric Company,
For Authority to Issue and Have Outstanding During 1999
Short-Term Indebtedness Not to Exceed \$1,500,000

4280-SB-118

**ORDER TO REOPEN, NOTICE OF PROCEEDING,
TO AMEND, AND INVESTIGATION AND
ASSESSMENT OF COSTS**

THIS IS A PROCEEDING TO consider the June 30, 1999, and December 13, 1999, applications of Northwestern Wisconsin Electric Company (applicant) to amend, pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 196.39, the Public Service Commission of Wisconsin's (Commission) Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law, Certificate of Authority and Order dated January 26, 1999. The requested amendment would increase the maximum amount of short-term indebtedness, which the applicant could have outstanding at any time to \$2,800,000 and would validate, pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 200.14, the applicant's 1999 indebtedness which exceeded the authorized \$1,500,000 limit. Consequently, pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 196.39, the Commission hereby reopens this proceeding to amend the January 26, 1999, Certificate of Authority. Anyone objecting to the proposed issuance must file a request for hearing with the Commission within ten days of this notice.

NOTICE IS GIVEN that the Commission considers it necessary, in order to carry out its duties, to investigate all books, accounts, practices, and activities of the applicant. The expenses incurred or to be incurred by the Commission which are reasonably attributable to such an investigation will be assessed against and collected from the applicant in accordance with the provisions of Wis. Stat. §§ 196.85 and 200.10, and Wis. Admin. Code ch. PSC 5.

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Questions regarding this matter may be directed to case coordinator Lois J. Hubert at (608) 267-2210.

Dated at Madison, Wisconsin, _____

By the Commission:

Lynda L. Dorr
Secretary to the Commission

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